

# Ferris State University

## Academic Senate

*Minutes of the Meeting*

*March 9, 1993*

### Attendance

1.1 Members Present. Anderson, Bandstra, Bartholome, Beetley, Billings, Breault, Brown, Burtch, Conati, Cook, Etienne, Griffin, Haneline, Heidemann, Horn, Kebler, Key, Keys, Kosanovich, Matrosic, Peterson, Pomnichowski, Rupe, Russell, C. Slywka, G. Slywka, Spaulding, Teferra, Thapa, Totten, Travis, Uniacke, Valas, von der Osten, Whitmore.

1.2 Members Absent. Bacon, Caskey (excused), Holihan, King (excused).

1.3 Guests. R. Anderson, I. Barnes, A. Breitenwischer, M. Cairns, M. Curtis, S. Dinius, N. Emmanuel, G. Hurt, L. Lunsted, L. McCrank, R. Perrin, H. Popovich, B. Pritchard, P. Schnepf, F. Swartz, R. Tiede, F. Unaeze.

### Call to Order

2.1 President Breault called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. in the President's Room, Rankin Center.

### Approval of Minutes

3.1 The minutes of the January 5, 1993, meeting were approved.

3.2 The minutes of the February 2, 1993, meeting were approved as amended.

### Open Forum

4.1 Lynn Bartholome, Arts and Sciences, distributed to the Senators a Revision of Requirements for Academic Honors Convocation. The Academic Honors Convocation Committee has formulated these revisions due to the change from terms to semesters. The revisions will be considered at the April Senate meeting.

4.2 Bartholome distributed a calendar of Women's History Month Events, March 1993. Bartholome invited Senators to attend the events and requested that Senators send students to the events also..

### Announcements

*President Popovich/Acting Vice President Barnes*

5.1 There were no announcements at this time.

*President Breault*

6.1 President Breault reported that the Senate Executive Committee and representatives from the colleges and units met with President Popovich and Acting Vice President Barnes on February 2, 1993, and February 16, 1993. Topics discussed included faculty involvement in recruitment, strategic planning for the Applied Technology Center and all off-campus programs, and the Task Force on the Freshman Experience.

6.2 Breault alerted Senators to motions which would arise under New Business to change Academic Program Review for 1993 and to form an Ad Hoc Committee to examine the Academic Program Review Process.

6.3 Breault noted that concerns regarding certificate programs continue. Guidelines are being developed by the Undergraduate Council.

### Special Reports

*Athletic Advisory Committee*

7.1 Chairman Dick Perrin, Library/Instructional Services, gave a brief report of the year's activities of the Athletic Advisory Committee.

*Library/Instructional Services Committee*

8.1 Chairman Mike Cairns, Student Development Services, distributed a written report to the Academic Senate from the Library/Instructional Services Committee and a list of liaison librarians. Cairns highlighted the written report and noted that a speech will be given on Tuesday, April 20, by Judith Krug, on "Intellectual Freedom in Academe."

*Strategic Planning Document*

9.1 Mark Curtis, Technology, Chairman of the Strategic Planning Committee, presented a brief history of strategic planning at Ferris State University and revisions to the Strategic Plan.

9.2 President Popovich reviewed Strategic Vision Highlights. Copies of the revised Strategic Plan will be distributed during the week of March 15. Comments to further strengthen the strategic plan are welcome and are to be submitted by May 7. The final document will be published by May 15. An annual cycle of revision will make planning a regular part of what is done at the university.

*Summer Quarter Study Committee*

10.1 Chairman Greg Denny, Technology, reported the results of a survey of faculty opinions on summer school offerings, done by marketing students. Denny requested a budget to conduct further surveys and publish the findings.

**Committee Reports**

*University Curriculum Committee*

11.1 Chairwoman Etienne reported that the University Curriculum Committee has been engaged primarily in semester transition cleanup. The committee has passed the Accounting Track to the CIS Master's.

*Senate Election Committee*

12.1 Chairman Peterson gave an update on the Senate election. Nominating petitions are due in the Senate office by March 16, 1993. Each unit will post candidates on March 23, 1993. The election will be held at unit election sites on April 21, 1993.

**Old Business**

*Outcomes Assessment Policy Statement*

**13.1 Haneline moved that the motion to endorse the Outcomes Assessment Policy Statement be removed from the table. von der Osten supported. The motion carried.**

**13.2 Cook moved to table the motion. von der Osten supported. The motion to table carried.**

**New Business**

*Policy for Repeating Quarter Courses under Semesters*

**14.1 Etienne moved that the Academic Senate endorse the policy developed by the Semester Transition Team for repeating quarter courses under semesters. Haneline supported.**

**14.2 Kosanovich moved to amend the motion to read:**

**3. There is no semester course which contains the content of the quarter course. In this case, the original grade will stand, unless the student's advisor finds an acceptable substitute.**

**von der Osten supported.**

**14.3 Cook moved the previous question. Thapa supported. The motion carried.**

**14.4 The motion to amend carried.**

**14.5 The main motion carried.**

*Motion to Postpone*

**15.1 Russell moved to postpone items B, C, D, and E listed under New Business on the agenda. von der Osten supported. The motion carried.**

**Next Regular Meeting**

16.1 The next regular meeting of the Senate will be Tuesday, April 6, 1993, at 10:05 a.m. in the President's Room, Rankin Center.

**Adjournment**

17.1 President Breault declared the meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Bandstra

Approved:

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